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'FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY' BANQUET  
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MISSOULA--

Missoula area authors will be honored April 25 at a banquet sponsored by the University of Montana Friends of the Library, according to Arthur Deschamps Jr. (pronounced Day-shaw), president of the organization.

The banquet will be at 7:15 p.m. Wednesday (April 25) in the University Center Gold Oak Room, Deschamps said. Cost of the banquet is \$3.75 per person.

"The deadline for reservations is Monday (April 23) at noon and people are asked to place their reservations early," Deschamps said.

Reservations may be made by writing the University of Montana Library, Missoula, Mont. 59801, or by phoning 243-2053.

The banquet will honor such noted Missoula authors as Dorothy Johnson, A.B. Guthrie, Virginia Johnson, Barbara Corcoran, Archie Joscelyn, K. Ross Toole, Madeline DeFrees, Richard Hugo, Jesse Bier, David Rorvik, H. G. Merriam and others.

Entertainment will be provided by the UM music department and feature the Montana Woodwind Quintet.

"Guest speaker will be Dale Johnson, University archivist, who will describe early Missoula history as it relates to Andrew B. Hammond," Deschamps said.

Hammond was a former owner of the Big Blackfoot Lumber Co. (now Champion-U.S. Plywood) and a stockholder in the Missoula Mercantile Co., First National Bank, Florence Hotel and the South Missoula Land Co. which donated part of the land where the University is now located.

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The Friends of the Library was organized by a group of students in 1959./organization's  
activities are directed toward increasing the holdings of the library, improving the  
physical facility and aiding the library in various other ways.

"The activities are carried on in cooperation with the UM Alumni Association and the  
University library administration," Deschamps said.

Profits from the banquet will be used to assist the organization in its activities.

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